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CENTRAL COMMAND

SAFESTAT REPORT

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Overview

During the month of January, the Central Command experienced several winter storms that adversely affected driving conditions on all major highways. Because of these conditions the total number of crashes increased by 26.6% when compared to December. Of the 119 total crashes handled by Command personnel, 44 were weather related and most occurred during the first portion of the month. Of the total crashes, 33 involved commercial vehicles for a 73.7% increase over December with 66.7% being the fault of the commercial vehicle driver.

Overall enforcement activity declined slightly by 3.4% or 156 fewer violations were cited when compared to December. All enforcement categories showed a decrease except two. The other arrest category increased by 4.3% and the total persons arrested category increased by 7.6%. The weather also impacted Commercial Operation enforcement efforts during January. Personnel conducted 86 fewer inspections for a 13.5% decline when compared to December. With fewer inspections conducted came corresponding declines in violations discovered, citations issued, along with drivers and vehicles being placed "out of service." Commercial vehicles being weighed decreased by 79.2% during January with much of the decline being attributed to the large number of trucks being weighed during the 72 hour road check held in Las Vegas during December.

Traffic personnel conducted 542 level 2/3 inspections in January resulting in 742 violations, 283 citations and 42 drivers being placed "out of service."

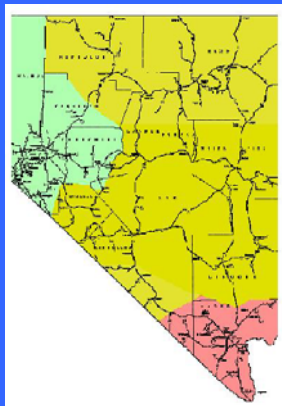
The Communication Center showed a 10.1% increase in the number of radio transmission, an increase of 10.3% in the number of CAD incidents generated and a 3.0% increase in telephone calls during January.

Despite the decreases during the month, I commend all Central Command personnel for their hard work and efforts during the month and expect this to continue as weather conditions improve.



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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	January-07		January-06	% Change		December-06	% Change
Total Crashes	119		132	-9.8%		94	26.6%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	83		90	-7.8%		75	10.7%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	32		38	-15.8%		12	166.7%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	4		4	0.0%		7	-42.9%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	2		5	-60.0%		3	-33.3%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	5		4	25.0%		2	150.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	2		0	200.0%		0	200.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1		2	-50.0%		1	0.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	2		2	0.0%		1	100.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	33		16	106.3%		19	73.7%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	25		12	108.3%		12	108.3%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	8		3	166.7%		7	14.3%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes	3.4%
Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes	1.7%
Percentage of persons killed <i>without</i> seatbelts to total persons killed	60.0%
Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes	27.7%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- During January the total number of crashes increased by 26.6% over December. There were 44 weather related crashes during the first portion of the month as winter storms struck the Command. This accounted for the majority of the increase. Property damage crashes increased by almost 11% with injury crashes almost tripling. There were 3 fewer fatal crashes in January as compared to December.
- There were 2 crashes involving impaired drivers, down 33% from December. The average BAC for the 2 impaired drivers has not returned as yet.
- Five persons were killed in three separate fatal crashes. Three of the persons killed were not wearing seat belts.
- There were 14 additional crashes involving commercial vehicles in January for a 73% increase. Property damage crashes more than doubled. The majority of this increase is attributed to the winter storms at the beginning of January. Of the 33 crashes involving commercial vehicles, 22 or 66.7%, were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. Twenty of the 33 crashes occurred on Interstate 80 with the remaining 39% occurring on secondary roadways.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

	January-07		January-06	% Change		December-06	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	2		5	-60.0%		3	-33.3%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	28		20	40.0%		34	-17.6%
Other Arrests	168		150	12.0%		161	4.3%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	85		75	13.3%		79	7.6%
Speed violations	1957		2076	-5.7%		2076	-5.7%
Hazardous moving violations	280		253	10.7%		296	-5.4%
Occupant restraint violations *	295		342	-13.7%		309	-4.5%
Total violations [above violations included]	4438		3945	12.5%		4594	-3.4%
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	15		61	-75.4%		17	-11.8%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	39		32	21.9%		8	387.5%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	540		652	-17.2%		624	-13.5%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	0		0	0.0%		2	-200.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	78		156	-50.0%		137	-43.1%
Total safety violations -- repair order	574		1024	-43.9%		613	-6.4%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	27		58	-53.4%		28	-3.6%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	15		47	-68.1%		34	-55.9%
Total school buses inspected	48		18	166.7%		15	220.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	8		7	14.3%		8	0.0%
Total trucks weighed	228		684	-66.7%		1097	-79.2%
Total overweight citations	11		10	10.0%		2	450.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	529		583	-9.3%		522	1.3%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- Despite periods of inclement weather, the Command experienced only a minor decline in total enforcement activity. Total violations declined by 3.4% or 156 fewer violations with declines occurring in all categories except "other arrests." There were 119 fewer speed, 16 fewer hazardous moving and 14 fewer occupant restraint violations
- There were 6 fewer arrests of impaired drivers prior to a crash for a 17% decrease. The average BAC was 157.
- Commercial personnel conducted 86 fewer inspections for almost a 14% decline. With fewer inspections conducted came corresponding declines in violations discovered, citations issued, along with drivers and vehicles placed out of service.

- The number of commercial vehicles weighed dropped by over 79%. Much of this is attributed to the large number of trucks weighed during the 72 hours check site operation in Las Vegas during December. The ratio of overweight citations to vehicles weighed increased dramatically during January with 11 overweight citations for 228 vehicles weighed. Of the 228 vehicles weighed, 146 were conducted on secondary roadways during 264 hours of directed enforcement.
- Dyed fuel inspections surprisingly increased slightly despite the decline in the number of overall inspections. Of the 529 dyed fuel inspections conducted, 201 were accomplished during 109 hours of directed enforcement on secondary roadways.
- Traffic Operations personnel conducted 542 Level 2 & 3 inspections on commercial vehicles and their drivers. This is a 7% decline from December. There were 283 citations issued for safety violations discovered and 42 drivers along with 4 vehicles were placed out of service. Traffic Operations personnel discovered one dyed fuel violation during 438 inspections of dyed fuel.

Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]							
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
January-07	542	283	742	42	4	438	1
January-06	432	256	965	55	N/A	370	0
% Change	25.5%	10.5%	-23.1%	-23.6%	N/A	18.4%	100.0%

January-07	542	283	742	42	4	438	1
December-06	583	275	717	58	23	472	0
% Change	-7.0%	2.9%	3.5%	-27.6%	-82.6%	-7.2%	100.0%

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	January-07	January-06	% Change	December-06	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
Radio Transmissions	84,514	89,995	-6.1%	76,778	10.1%
CAD incidents	11,304	11,612	-2.7%	10,250	10.3%
Telephone Calls	11,488	N/A	N/A	11,157	3.0%
Call Box Incidents	N/A	27	N/A	N/A	#VALUE!
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	91	110	-17.3%	102	-10.8%
Arrest Reports Processed	87	55	58.2%	114	-23.7%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	11	5	120.0%	33	-66.7%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	390	319	22.3%	379	2.9%
Warrants Entered	385	438	-12.1%	353	9.1%
Warrants Cleared	284	183	55.2%	220	29.1%
Warrants Validated	2,669	2541	5.0%	2341	14.0%
Extradition / Transports	7	6	16.7%	3	133.3%
EVIDENCE					
New Cases Submitted	41	32	28.1%	54	-24.1%
New Items Submitted	148	89	66.3%	113	31.0%
Items Disposed	13	18	-27.8%	16	-18.8%

Contract Service overtime was 384 hours for 5 contracts totaling \$25,847.

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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- The Communications Center recorded increases in all categories during January as compared to December. Radio transmissions and CAD incidents generated both increased by over 10%. The issues with tracking Call Box Incidents from NDOT continued in January.
- Front Office personnel processed 24% fewer accident, arrest and officer reports in January as compared to December.
- The Court / Warrant Section experienced increases in all areas, most notably warrants cleared, up 29% , and warrants validated, up 14%.
- The evidence vault had a 24% decline in the number of new cases submitted with only 41, but the number of items accompanying the 41 cases increased by 31%.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- The Judicial Outreach Program was performed at the following courts within Central Command; Beowawe Justice, Elko Justice and Argenta Justice.
- Industry training was conducted at Great Basin Community College for commercial driver training.

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